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Noah L. Butkin has been elected a Trustee of the Cleveland Museum of Art, Lewis C. Williams, President of the Board of Trustees, has announced.

Mr. Butkin, who has served as a member of the Museum's Advisory Council for the last two years, is a widely known chemical engineer and metals executive. He has been engaged in the metals industry in Cleveland for a quarter century, and since 1973 has served as chairman of the board and president of Rio Indal, Inc., a Cleveland-based international metals marketing company affiliated with Rio Tinto-Zinc Corporation of the United Kingdom.

A native of New York, the 56-year-old businessman grew up in Oklahoma, and was educated at the University of Oklahoma where he received a B.S. degree in chemical engineering.

He is married to the former Muriel Spiro of Waynesboro, Pennsylvania. The couple reside in Shaker Heights, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Butkin collect Dutch painting of the 17th century and French painting of the 19th century. They are Benefactors of the Cleveland Museum, having made generous gifts to the Museum's collections of European art.

Beyond the Museum, Mr. and Mrs. Butkin's interests include the Cleveland Play House, the Cleveland Orchestra, the Metropolitan Opera Association, and the Western Reserve Historical Society.

A number of works from the Butkin Foundation art collection also presently are on extended loan to Cleveland State University.

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